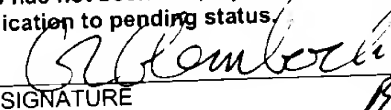


FORM PTO-1390 (REV 11-2000) US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO 04476.00006
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO PCT/JP00/07990		U.S. APPLICATION NO (IF KNOWN) (SEE PCT/ISA) 09/869896
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 9, 2000		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED Nov. 10, 1999 and July 28, 2000
TITLE OF INVENTION FLUORESCENT LAMP; DISCHARGE LAMP AND LIQUID CRYSTAL BACKLIGHT DEVICE INCORPORATING THIS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hidetoshi YANO and Takanobu UENO		
Applicant herewith submits to the United State Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11-20 below concern other document(s) or information included:		
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Copy of PCT/RO/101 w/PCT date stamp of November 9, 2000 (4 pp.); Copy of WO 01/35445 published May 17, 2001w/PCT/ISA/210 (3 pp.); Specification (15 pp.) Claims 1-21 (4 pp.), 6 sheets of Drawings, Abstract (1 p.); English Translation: Specification (31 pp.), Claims 1-21 (8 pp.), Abstract (1 p.), 6 Sheets of Drawings; PCT/RO/111 (1 p.)		

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17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)): Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO \$1,000.00 International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO \$ 860.00 International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.455(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$ 710.00 International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 690.00 International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 100.00				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
				ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). \$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total Claims	21 -20 =	1	X \$18.00	\$ 18.00	
Independent Claims	9 -3 =	6	X \$ 80.00	\$480.00	
Multiple dependent claims (if applicable)			X \$270.00	\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$1,358.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated below are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
SUBTOTAL =				\$1,358.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$1,358.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$1,358.00	
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a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 19-0733 in the amount of \$1,358.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
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